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QUOTE S E C R E T CAIRO 12449

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FOR THE SECRETARY FROM AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: EG US

SUBJ: SUBJECTS WHICH MAY ARISE DURING YOUR UPCOMING VISIT TO EGYPT

1. IN ADDITION CURRENT STATE ARAB/ISRAELI PROBLEM, WHICH WILL
BE PRIME FOCUS EGYPTIAN INTEREST, SADAT AND/OR FAHMY MAY
RAISE WITH YOU THE FOLLOWING SUBJECTS:

2. U.S. MILITARY EQUIPMENT FOR EGYPT: EGYPTIAN HAVE SHOWN
SOME IMPATIENCE ON THIS MATTER. THEY WONDER ABOUT STATUS
PROMISED CONGRESSIONAL CONSULTATIONS. THIS ALSO APPLIES
POSSIBLE MIG PROGRAM ASSISTANCE.

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3. SOVIET (#) RICA: AS RECENT MESSAGES HAVE
INDICATED, SADAT AND FAHMY REMAIN DEEPLY PREOCCUPIED WITH
WHAT THEY REGARD AS SOVIET EFFORTS TO EXAPND USSR INFLUENCE
IN AFRICA. SO FAR AS EGYPTIAN ARE CONCERNED, QADHAFI AND
MENGISTU CONTINUE TO BE THE VILLAINS OF THE PIECE AND ARE
CAST AS SOVIET SURROGATES. GOE BELIEVES REGIMES IN

SOMALIA, CHAD, SUDAN AND PERHAPS EVEN NIGER ARE THREAT-
ENED. ALL HAVE ASKED FOREGYPTIAN ASSISTANCE, WHICH GOE
IS GIVING TO EXTENT OF ITS CAPABILITY. WHILE PLEASED
AT OUR DECISION IN PRINCIPLE PROVIDE ARMS FOR SOMALIA,
SADAT STILL HOPES THAT USG WILL AGREE PROVIDE SMALL
ARMS TO EGYPT FOR USE TO SUPPORT THREATENED AFRICAN
REGIMES. YOU WILL RECALL HE MENTIONED SUBJECT TO SENATOR
JAVITS, WHO WAS SYMPATHETIC. WE KNOW EGYPTIANS
ARE DISTURBED AT WHAT THEY CONSIDER OUR INDIFFERENT
RESPONSE. SADAT IS POLITE ABOUT IT, FAHMY CAUSTIC.

3. NUCLEAR POWER REACTOR: HAVING COMPLETED THEIR NEGO-
TIATIONS WITH WESTINHOUSE, EGYPTIANS ARE ANXIOUS GET
UNDER WAY ON NUCLEAR POWER REACTOR PROJECT. THEY CON-
TINUE TO PRESS ON WHEN U.S./ EGYPTIAN BILATERAL WILL BE
PRESENTED TO THE CONGRESS SO THAT THEY CAN PROCEED.
WHILE AWARE OF OUR NON-PROLIFERATION POLICY, THEY BE-
LIEVE THEY HAVE MET ALL SAFEGUARDS THAT IAEA AND WE
HAVE IMPOSED. THEY PROFESS TO BE PUZZLED WHY WE PRESSED
THEM SO HARD IN THE SUMMER OF 76 TO CONCLUDE THE AGREE-
MENT (EVEN THOUGH THERE WERE STILL ONE OR TWO OUT-
STANDING POINTS) AND HAVE SINCE ALLOWED IT TO LANGUISH.
FAHMY HAS ON OCCASION SUGGESTED THAT WE ARE SIMPLY
"PLAYING GAMES" WITH GOE AND NEVER REALLY INTENDED PRO-
VIDE REACTOR. HE OR SADAT MAY RAISE SUBJECT.

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